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Sir:

**RESPONSE TO JULY 2, 2003 OFFICE ACTION
AND PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This is a Response to the July 2, 2003 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the July 2, 2003 Office Action was originally due on October 2, 2003. Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) for a three-month extension of time. The required small entity fee for a three-month extension of time is \$475.00 and a check for this amount is enclosed herewith. As a result, the deadline for responding to the Office Action is January 2, 2004. Accordingly, this Response is being timely filed.

The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.